

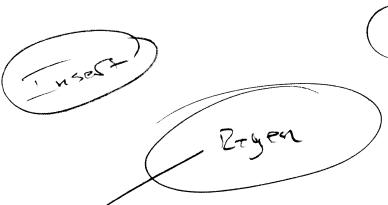
State of Wisconsin

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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION



AN ACT to create 238.14 of the statutes; relating to: grants to certain small

businesses that receive federal grants and making an appropriation

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This is a preliminary draft. An analysis will be provided in a subsequent version of this draft.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 238.14 of the statutes is created to read:

238.14 Grants to recipients of federal grants for research and

innovation. (1) In this section: Phase I

(a) "federal grant" means a grant awarded by the federal government under

Phase I of the federal Small Business Innovation Research Program or Phase I of the

federal Small Business Technology Transfer Program.

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2. That the federal grant recipient may assign the contract only upon the prior written consent of the corporation.

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****Note: I did not include any language concerning the date of contract termination because that language seems unnecessary in a bill and may conflict with the reporting and grant disbursal previsions of the draft. Please let me know if you have any questions or if you still want to include language concerning the termination date of the contract.

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2. The corporation may pay up to 50 percent of the state matching grant upon the award of the federal grant. The corporation may pay the remainder of the state matching grant upon the federal government's approval of the federal grant recipient's application for a grant under Phase II of the federal Small Business Innovation Research Program or Phase II of the federal Small Business Technology Transfer Program, or at a later date determined by the corporation.

****NOTE: This provision authorizes WEDC to disburse the second installment of a state matching grant once the federal government has approved a Phase Happlication for the grant recipient, but the provision gives WEDC some flexibility as to exactly when the second installment of a grant is disbursed after that point. I did not include the two-thirds/one-third distribution from the Montana program because that appears to conflict with the requirement that a grant recipient detail in its final report to the state how the state grant moneys were expended—under the Montana regime, the grant is not completely disbursed until the "Stage II" report is submitted to the state, assuming the "Stage II" report is a report submitted to the state and not the Phase II report required to be submitted to the federal government under the SBIR/STTR grant program. Please let me know if you would like to do something other than give WEDC discretion to disburse the second installment of the grant upon approval of the Phase II application or at a later date.

SECTION 2. Fiscal changes. 11

> (1) In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation under section 20.192 (1) (a) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2013, the dollar amount is increased by \$187,500 for the first fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in which this subsection takes effect to provide grants to recipients of certain federal grants under section 238.14

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****Note: The proposal funds the grant matching program through an increase of \$187,500 per fiscal year to WEDC's existing GPR appropriation for economic development programs and general operations under s. 20.192 (1) (a). Is that consistent with your intent?

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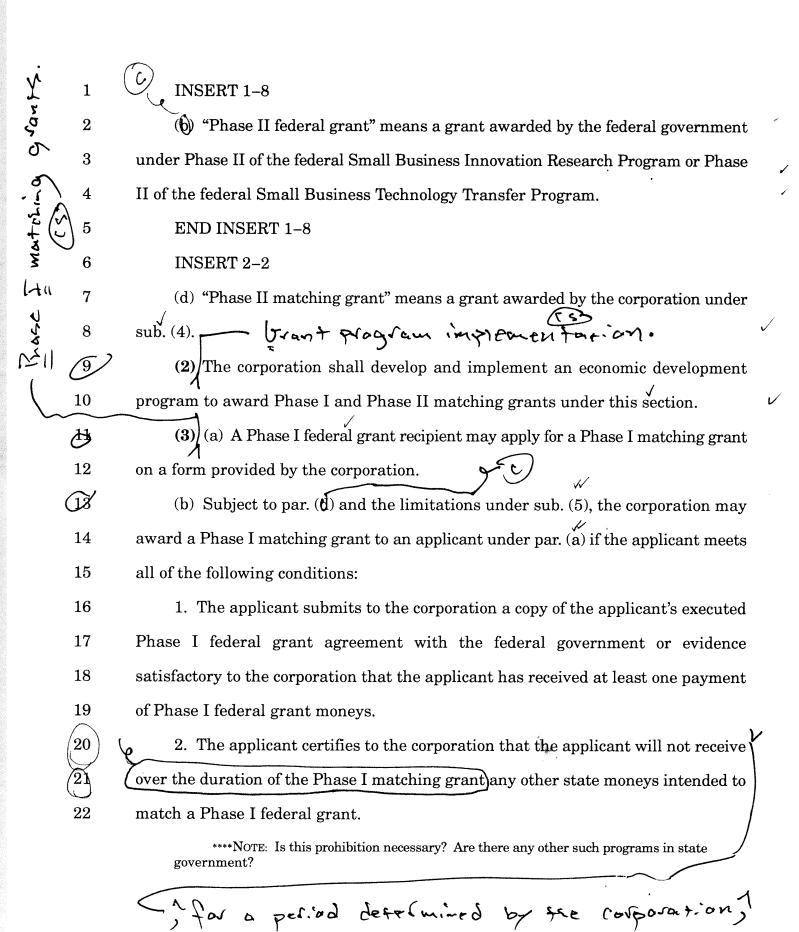
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- 3. The applicant's principal place of business is located in this state and will continue to be located in this state over the duration of the Phase I matching grapt.
 - 4. The applicant submits evidence satisfactory to the corporation that the research to be conducted in connection with the Phase I federal grant will benefit the economy of this state and that at least 51 percent of that research will be conducted in this state.
 - 5. The applicant intends to apply for a Phase II federal grant.
 - 6. The applicant submitted its application under par. (a) within 180 days after the applicant first received any moneys from the federal government under the applicant's Phase I federal grant.
 - 7. The applicant satisfies any other requirements established by the corporation.

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- (4) (a) A Phase I matching grant recipient may apply for a Phase II matching grant on a form provided by the corporation.
- (b) Subject to the limitations under sub. (5), the corporation may award a Phase II matching grant to an applicant under par. (a) if the applicant meets all of the following conditions:
- 1. The applicant submits evidence satisfactory to the corporation that the federal government approved the applicant's final report for its Phase I federal grant, and the applicant has satisfied any other applicable requirements for its Phase I federal grant.
- 24 2. The applicant has submitted its application for a Phase II federal grant to the federal government.

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****NOTE: I did not include the requirement that an applicant for a Phase II matching grant must have received an invitation from the applicable federal agency to submit a proposal for a Phase II federal grant because the drafting instructions already contain the requirement that an applicant for a Phase II matching grant must have submitted a proposal for a Phase II federal grant to the federal government. Is that okay?

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the the applicant completed its research under the applicant's Phase I federal grant.

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7 (b) The corporation may not award grants under this section totalling more

than \$300,000 per state fiscal year.

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SBIR Draft Notes Responses

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Mike,

Please include the attached revisions to LRB 3940/p2 in a /1 of the bill.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

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SBIR/STTR Grant matching Program 3940/P2 Note Response 3/14/14

Pg. 2, Note: Remove prohibition.

Pg. 4, Note 1: This is okay.

Pg. 4, Note 2: For the purpose of adding a contract and reporting requirement for matching grants for Phase II federal grant recipients, please include language from pg.3, lines 13-25, revised to reflect Phase II matching grant/ Phase II federal grant recipient.



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 - (a) "Phase I federal grant" means a grant awarded by the federal government under Phase I of the federal Small Business Innovation Research Program or Phase I of the federal Small Business Technology Transfer Program.

1	(b) "Phase I matching grant" means a grant awarded by the corporation under
2	sub. (3).
3	(c) "Phase II federal grant" means a grant awarded by the federal government
4	under Phase II of the federal Small Business Innovation Research Program or Phase
5	II of the federal Small Business Technology Transfer Program.
6	(d) "Phase II matching grant" means a grant awarded by the corporation under
7	sub. (4).
8	(2) Grant program implementation. The corporation shall develop and
9	implement an economic development program to award Phase I and Phase II
10	matching grants under this section.
11	(3) Phase I matching grants. (a) A Phase I federal grant recipient may apply
12	for a Phase I matching grant on a form provided by the corporation.
13	(b) Subject to par. (c) and the limitations under sub. (5), the corporation may
14	award a Phase I matching grant to an applicant under par. (a) if the applicant meets
15	all of the following conditions:
16	1. The applicant submits to the corporation a copy of the applicant's executed
17	Phase I federal grant agreement with the federal government or evidence
18	satisfactory to the corporation that the applicant has received at least one payment
19	of Phase I federal grant moneys.
20	2. The applicant certifies to the corporation that the applicant will not receive,
21	for a period determined by the corporation, any other state moneys intended to match
22	a Phase Lederal grant.
	****NOTE: Is this prohibition necessary? Are there any other such programs in state government?

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The applicant satisfies any other requirements established by the corporation.

- (c) Before the corporation awards a Phase I matching grant, the corporation shall contract with the Phase I federal grant recipient. The corporation shall determine the contract's terms, including the amount of the Phase I matching grant, after negotiation with the Phase I federal grant recipient. The contract shall include all of the following provisions:
- 1. That, at a time determined by the corporation and specified in the contract, the Phase I federal grant recipient shall file with the corporation a report that shows the Phase I federal grant recipient's expenditures of the Phase I federal grant and the Phase I matching grant; and that, if the Phase I federal grant recipient fails to submit a report that is acceptable to the corporation, the corporation may order repayment of all or a portion of the Phase I matching grant.
- 2. That the Phase I federal grant recipient may assign the contract only upon the prior written consent of the corporation.

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(4) PHASE II MATCHING GRANTS. (a) A Phase I matching grant recipient may apply for a Phase II matching grant on a form provided by the corporation.

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- 2. The applicant submitted its application under par. (a) within 90 days after the applicant completed its research under the applicant's Phase I federal grant.
- 3. The applicant satisfies any other requirements established by the corporation.

****Note: I did not include "Stage I" and "Stage II" language for the state matching grant program because I want to avoid potential confusion with Phase I and Phase II of the federal grant program. Instead, I separated the application and grant requirements for matching grants for Phase I and Phase II federal grant recipients. Also, do you want a contract and reporting requirement for matching grants for Phase II federal grant recipients?

- (5) LIMITATIONS. (a) The corporation may not award a Phase I or Phase II matching grant that exceeds \$50,000 or the amount of the Phase I or Phase II federal grant, whichever is less.
- (b) The corporation may not award grants under this section totalling more than \$300,000 per state fiscal year.

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This bill directs the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) to establish a grant program under which WEDC awards state matching grants to recipients of grants under Phase I and Phase II of the federal Small Business Innovation Research program (SBIR) or Phase I and Phase II of the federal Small Business Technology Transfer program (STTR).

Under the bill, the recipient of a Phase I SBIR or STTR federal grant may apply to WEDC for a state matching grant in connection with the federal grant. WEDC may award the state matching grant if the applicant satisfies certain conditions, including that the applicant's principal place of business is located, and will continue to be located, in Wisconsin; the applicant demonstrates to WEDC that the research to be conducted in connection with the Phase I SBIR or STTR federal grant will benefit Wisconsin and that at least 51 percent of that research will occur in Wisconsin; and the applicant intends to apply for a Phase II SBIR or STTR federal grant.

The bill further authorizes any person to whom WEDC awards a state matching grant for the person's Phase I SBIR or STTR federal grant to apply to WEDC for an additional state matching grant in connection with the person's Phase II SBIR or STTR federal grant. WEDC may award such a state matching grant if the grant applicant satisfies certain additional conditions, including that the applicant demonstrates to WEDC that it completed any requirements for its Phase I SBIR or STTR federal grant and that it has, in fact, been awarded a Phase II SBIR or STTR federal grant.

WEDC must contract with a person to whom WEDC awards a state matching grant under the bill. The contract must include the amount of the state matching grant and must require that the state matching grant recipient submit a report to WEDC that shows its expenditures of the Phase I or Phase II federal grant, as applicable, as well as its expenditures of the state matching grant.

Under the bill, WEDC may not award a state matching grant that exceeds the lesser of \$50,000 or the amount of the Phase I or Phase II SBIR or STTR federal grant, as applicable. The bill also limits WEDC's total state matching grant awards per state fiscal year to \$300,000.

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 - 2. That the Phase II federal grant recipient may assign the contract only upon the prior written consent of the corporation.

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